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Germany: amendments to draft resolution A/52/L.7

1. Second preambular paragraph

   (a) Replace the words "Noting the work of" by "Welcoming the progress made during its fifty-first session by";

   (b) Replace the word "of" after "representation" by "on".

2. Third preambular paragraph: delete the paragraph.

3. Operative paragraph 1: replace the existing paragraph by the following:

   "1. Recognizes the importance of treating Security Council reform as a matter of urgent attention, stresses that the matter shall not be subject to any imposed time frame, and therefore also recognizes the need to allow Member States adequate time to reflect and to reach general agreement;"

4. Operative paragraph 2: replace the words "with Charter amendment implications" by "which contains amendments to the Charter".

5. New operative paragraph 3

   (a) Add the following new paragraph 3:

   "3. Confirms that decisions on important questions of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council shall be made by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting;"

(b) Replace the existing operative paragraph 3 by the following:

"4. Reiterates that the Open-Ended Working Group should continue its work, taking into account the progress achieved during the forty-eighth, forty-ninth, fiftieth and fifty-first sessions as well as the views expressed during the fifty-second session of the General Assembly, and submit a report to the Assembly before the end of its fifty-second session, including any agreed recommendations."